

**FEDLINK Advisory Council Meeting**  
**Library of Congress Adams Building**  
**LA218 (FLICC Meeting Room)**  
**Thursday, June 3, 2004**  
**1:15 - 3:00 p.m.**

FAC Present

Judy Bullwinkle  
Vicky Crone  
Marybeth Dowdell  
Bob Mohrman  
Carla Pomager  
Jane Sessa  
Wynne Tysdal  
Paula Vincent  
Cheryl Thomas

FLICC/FEDLINK Present

Joe Banks  
Lynn McDonald  
Susan Tarr

FAC Absent

FLICC/FEDLINK Absent

1. Review agenda – WynneTysdal, Chair, conducted meeting.
2. Minutes approved with corrections.
3. OCLC Member's Council - Carol Bursik
  - a. Voted on budget.
  - b. Environmental Scan is the theme for next meetings. "Moving libraries outside their comfort zone". Need to explain what an "environmental scan" is! Will be printing the Executive Summary as a more readable product for libraries. Need to be more global, also consider the elderly and not just focus on youth esp. with "lifetime learning" emphasis.
  - c. Gov't & Special Libraries Group - under consideration due to unbalanced representation; Academic libraries are heavily represented.
  - d. Developing Institutional Repositories - mostly cultural heritage and university emphasis
  - e. Lost a seat so Carol will not be replaced as she finishes her term; presented with a certificate.
4. FLICC Quarterly Meeting follow-up - Susan Tarr
  - a. Change to budget : LOC recalculated the overhead rate from 11.7% to 12.06% after adjusting to remove the Security supplemental that had been included in the initial calculations.
5. FEDLINK Update – Susan Tarr, Lynn McDonald, Joe Banks
  - a. Fiscal Update - Joe Banks
    - Overall are about 4% ahead of one year ago.
    - Still working on converting to the new fiscal system.
    - End of year schedule set about a week earlier than last year due to LC's "dark period" for processing during fiscal system implementation
  - b. Outsell Brain Game breakfast meeting
    - Generally positive feedback

- Good turnout and representation
- c. Review of FEDLINK Membership meeting
  - ii. Less Vendor Update info presented
  - iii. Next time need to focus more on Preservation options
  - iv. Need to start thinking about Fall membership meeting, to be discussed at July 22 FAC meeting.
- d. OCLC Members Council - Eleanor Frierson
  - ii. Loss of representation on OCLC Members Council; only one rep from FEDLINK and one from CAPCON now. Need to review algorithm and come up with a recommendation to OCLC, not just a complaint.
  - iii. WorldCat Pilot with Google - OCLC has signed an agreement with Yahoo as well. Lots of hand-holding needed to be done with the Google pilot. Google participants may be carried over into the Yahoo pilot.
  - iv. Meetings per year - Council wants to reduce to two meetings per year so international participants can attend.
- e. OCLC
  - ii. Reorganizing their infrastructure, moving their database(s) on to Oracle platform and merging the various databases (Worldcat, ILL, Firstsearch).
  - iii. OCLC is still working on pricing and billing questions associated with these mergers.
  - iv. Still having financial difficulties due to expansion, stock market woes, libraries cutting back.
  - v. Some projected new services will not be started and other things will be cut back, but nothing that directly affects FEDLINK. ILLiad and QuestionPoint might be affected eventually if implementation too low. ECO and netLibrary functions are under the same person. netLibrary will begin to offer audio books.
  - vi. Prices have increased an average of 3% but some are going up more. Batch loading price has quadrupled! Need to do a lot of batch loading to keep our representation up and to build WorldCat but the price increase works against that!
- f. Elsevier is going to send a proposal “soon”
- g. Almost ready to make awards for Preservation RFP
- h. Serials - at another stage in the FAXON process, trying to get status from libraries involved.
- i. Redeploying the Vendor Services Directory (from the website) so you could print only selected vendors.
- j. Will be exhibiting at SLA but not ALA.

6. Committee Reports -- n/a
7. Old Business -- n/a
8. New Business -- If you attend SLA or ALA keep an eye open for Fall Membership meeting ideas.
9. Next meetings:
  - July 22, 9:00 a.m. - FAC
  - Aug 26, 9:00 a.m. - FAC
10. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.